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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7418 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 9, 2013

BILL NUMBER: SB 519 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Various election law matters.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Landske BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Pending

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Summary of Legislation: Makes changes in the standards for determining residency of voters and candidates. Establishes the voter education outreach fund to receive, hold, and disburse funds for education and outreach to citizens concerning voter rights and responsibilities. Removes references to "pasters". Permits county vote center plans to use other titles to designate precinct election officials (rather than inspector, judge, poll clerk, assistant poll clerk, or election sheriff). Provides that the county vote center plan must specify which precinct election officer is to perform a duty required of a precinct election officer by the election code. Requires the secretary of family and social services to designate the agencies required to provide voter registration services. Provides that the subscription of an entity to statewide voter registration file information expires on the first January 1 following payment of the annual fee. Amends the requirements concerning precinct polling place lists to update a reference to voter identification number and to add birth dates. Permits a vote center county to use notices mailed to the active voters of the county (or provided at the vote center) and presented at a vote center for the purpose of obtaining a voter's signature when casting a ballot (rather than having the voter sign a printed poll list). Requires the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) official to conduct an annual residency confirmation and outreach procedure. Requires comparison of voter lists from certain neighboring states and others with the Indiana voter registration list to identify duplicate registrations. Requires a county voter registration office to cancel the registration of a voter if the office receives certain notices of the voter's death. Requires the state department of health and the election division to obtain certain information about the deaths of Indiana residents for purposes of maintaining voter registration records. Establishes procedures for county processing of voter registration record cancellations. Permits the county election board of a county that is not a vote center county to adopt an order to use electronic poll lists. Establishes additional standards for electronic poll lists. Permits the family and social services administration and the state department of health to transmit voter registration applications by first class mail. (Current law requires the use of certified mail, when mail is

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used.) Appropriates \$1,000,000 from the state general fund to the voter education outreach fund for each year of the 2013-2015 biennium for voter education and outreach. Appropriates \$365,000 from the state general fund to perform certain duties relating to the voting system technical oversight program. Appropriates \$2,500,000 from the state general fund for each year of the 2013-2015 biennium to provide management services for the statewide voter registration system. Appropriates \$1,500,000 from the state general fund for address confirmation mailings to voters. Makes technical changes. Repeals: (1) obsolete procedures relating to designation of voter registration agencies; (2) a requirement for counties to have an NVRA implementation plan; (3) requirements relating to making memoranda of voter registration documents; (4) statutes relating to pasters; (5) sample ballots; and (6) delivery of absentee ballot applications.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2013.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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